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1. The Kukong (Ch'uchiang, 113-33, 24, 50) Hsien Government is established in the offices of the former Nationalist Kukong Hsien Government on Fengts'ai (風采) Road, Kukong. HUANG Tung-hua (黃樹華)\* is the Magistrate and TSENG Tung (曾東) and CHANG Hsun-pu (張勳?) are Deputy Magistrates. CHANG Hsun-pu is concurrently Director of the North River Tax Bureau. A company of troops is billeted in the building.
2. The North River Special Commissioner's Administration (Pei Chiang Hsing Cheng Chuan Yuan Kung Shu, 沪江行政專員公署) is in the former Court on Fengts'ai Road. HO Chun-ts'ai (何俊才) is Special Commissioner. One company of guards is quartered on these premises.
3. The North River Military Sub-District Headquarters is on Hsun Feng (薰鳳) Road and a battalion of the Direct Command Regiment is stationed there.
4. The Public Safety Bureau of the Kukong Hsien Government is on Fengts'ai Road. HSIAO Huai-i (蕭懷義) is Director and CHANG Hsueh-kuei (張學奎) is Vice-Director. This Bureau has under command some 200 police.
5. The Kukong Hsien Government has received an order from the Kwangtung Provincial Government to start collection of the summer crop tax, the quota being a total of 80,000 piculs of rice. Completion of collection is to be not later than 15 September. On 20 August, the Kwangtung Government dispatched CH'EN Chieh (陳介) and four others to Kukong to help the local government in matters relating to collection of the tax.
6. MO Hsiung (莫雄) is Chairman of the North River Public Peace Committee (Pei Chiang Chih An Wei Yuan Hui, 沪江治安委員會). Some time ago he went to Lochang (113-18, 25-08), Shihhsing (114-03, 25-02) and Juyuan (113-04, 24-49) to help in local conscription and to give military training. On 19 August, he returned to Kukong. He had a successful trip in connection with conscription. In Lochang he recruited some 700 men who have about 500 firearms, 12 light and heavy machine guns and 2 hand-grenade throwers. In Shihhsing he recruited some 300 men all with firearms. In Juyuan he recruited some 600 men who have some 300 firearms and 8 light machine guns. All these men are under concentration for regrouping.

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7. The railway bridge at Kukong has been completely repaired with timber and is open to traffic. The bridges on the local East and West rivers and the pontoon bridges have not yet been repaired. Crossings are made by ferry boats. Road bridges on the section between Kukong and Shihhsing have been frequently destroyed by guerrillas. Traffic on this road is most difficult. Trains between Kukong and Canton have two scheduled runs each way every day. The express train leaves Canton at 0815 hours and arrives at Kukong at 1420 hours. The ordinary train leaves Canton at 1800 hours and arrives at Kukong at irregular hours. The ordinary train leaves Kukong at 0500 and arrives at Canton at irregular hours. The express train leaves Kukong at 1215 hours and arrives at Canton at 2020 hours.
8. The airfield at Kukong is now used as farm land. Soviet air personnel have inspected the airfield.
9. Orders for the construction of fortifications in the Kukong area have been received by the People's Government there. They are to be erected from Yang-Ch'i (113-21, 25-01) and on both sides of the Hankow-Canton Railroad. Sixteen strong points are to be erected to the north and to the south. The railway has been constantly under guerrilla attacks which greatly hampers military transportation and these new fortifications are designed to protect it. HUANG T'ung-hua personally inspected Yang-Ch'i on 25 August. He then held a meeting of the People's Government, which directed: (a) the Government will recruit two hundred civilian laborers to construct these fortifications; (b) administration of this civilian labor will be taken over by the Kukong Military Sub-District; (c) SHEN Huan-chang (沈璇瑞) of the 3rd Sub-Department of the Government will proceed to Canton to collect necessary building material from the military area; and (d) the wages and expenses of the civilian labor will be defrayed by the Special Commissioner's office.
10. Fortifications are being erected by units of the 4 Field Army. The section Yangch'i-Juyuan (113-04, 24-49) is still incomplete.
11. Over 70 men were recruited on 28 August for the construction of fortifications.
12. Commissioner HO Chun-ts'ai (何俊才) of the North River Special Commissioner's Office left Kukong for Canton on 26 August.
13. The North River Special Commissioner's Office on 25 August sent 200 troops of the Independent Battalion to fight guerrillas at Lien Ping (114-31, 24-18).
14. The North River Special Commissioner's Office has been instructed to recruit 250 men from personnel of the Kukong, Lochang, Shihhsing, Nanhsiuang (114-17, 25-13), Jenhua (113-43, 25-08) and Lienhsien (112-26, 24-27) Government and Village Offices to be sent to the Nanfang University for advanced training. The registration office in Kukong for students for Nanfang is at the Special Commissioner's office. Apart from those nominated by the various hsiens, only 150 students will be accepted from outside. Examinations will be held on 1 September.
15. Political Supervisor TS'AI Po-hsun (蔡伯軒) of the Kwangtung Military District arrived at Kukong on 24 August. He stayed at the Military Sub-District Headquarters. He will supervise the organization of local civilian armed forces. For the time being, only five groups of 20-40 men, 20-35 years of age, will be trained. Their equipment will be supplied by the Sub-District and meals by the various villages. Training will start in the middle of September.
16. Over 300 first term graduates of the Military and Political University in Canton, arrived at Kukong from Canton on 28 August. They visited all government departments, and left for Hankow on 29 August.

25X1A \* [REDACTED] Comment. A HUANG Tung-hua (黃忠華) was Deputy CO of the North River I Detachment in May 1949. This man may now be Magistrate of Kukong Hsien.

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